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I. POLICY ASSESSMENTS

A. U.S. INTERESTS

PRIMARY INTERESTS IN AUSTRALIA INCLUDE: A) COOPERATION BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES ON MULTILATERAL POLITICAL, MILITARY, ECONOMIC, SCIENTIFIC AND SOCIAL ISSUES; B) PROTECTION OF THE SUBSTANTIAL U.S. INVESTMENT STAKE IN AUSTRALIA (CURRENTLY VALUED AT ABOUT \$US5.0 BILLION) AND MAINTENANCE OF REASONABLE ACCESS FOR NEW AMERICAN INVESTORS; C) PROTECTION AND EXPANSION OF THE U.S. SHARE OF THE IMPORT MARKET IN AUSTRALIA (1974 U.S. EXPORTS TO AUSTRALIA TOTALLED US\$2.2 BILLION); D) PRESERVATION OF FREE-WORLD AND U.S. ACCESS ON REASONABLE TERMS TO AUSTRALIAN MINERAL RESOURCES; E) CONTINUED ACCESS TO AUSTRALIAN TERRITORY FOR ESSENTIAL DEFENSE INSTALLATIONS.

U.S. SECONDARY INTERESTS INCLUDE: A) COLLABORATION IN REGIONAL SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS, IN CONDUCTING SURVEILLANCE IN AREAS NEAR AUSTRALIA; B) CONSTRUCTIVE U.S.-AUSTRALIAN COOPERATION ON MULTILATERAL ISSUES, INCLUDING OPEN INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN RAW MATERIALS ON THE BASIS OF MARKET REQUIREMENTS AND MARKET-ORIENTED PRICES, LIBERALIZATION OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE BARRIERS, ASSISTANCE TO UNDERDEVELOPED COUNTRIES, DEVELOPMENT OF SEABED RESOURCES, TRAFFIC IN NARCOTICS, ENVIRONMENT, POPULATION AND TRANSPORT.

#### B. OVERVIEW

BEHIND THE FACADE OF ASSERTIVE AND OFTEN BELLIGERENT NATIONALISM, AUSTRALIA IS INSECURE AND IN SEARCH OF ITS IDENTITY AND OF ITS ROLE IN THE WORLD. GEOGRAPHY IS  
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PRIMARILY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS. WHILE RICH IN MINERAL RESOURCES, AUSTRALIA IS THE DRIEST AND PERHAPS THE MOST inhospitable inhabited continent. TODAY OVER 95 PERCENT OF THE AUSTRALIAN POPULATION LIVES WITHIN 200 KILOMETERS OF THE SEA; OVER 77 PERCENT IN SIX MAJOR METROPOLITAN AREAS. AS A RESULT, AUSTRALIA IS ONE OF THE WORLD'S MOST URBANIZED SOCIETIES, AND YET IT IS AN URBAN SOCIETY CLINGING TO THE COAST OF AN ALMOST EMPTY CONTINENT. THE BATTLING SPIRIT WHICH OPENED THE INTERIOR OF THE CONTINENT DURING THE NINETEENTH CENTURY HAS GIVEN WAY TO A HIGHLY URBANIZED AND BASICALLY SELF-INDULGENT SOCIETY CONTENT TO LIVE THE AUSTRALIA VERSION OF THE GOOD LIFE. NOT SURPRISINGLY, MOST AUSTRALIANS STILL SEE THEIR COUNTRY AS A SPARSELY POPULATED EUROPEAN SOCIETY ON AN EMPTY CONTINENT AND IN AN ALIEN ASIAN ENVIRONMENT.

AUSTRALIAN'S HISTORICAL LEGACY ALSO CREATES DOUBTS IN AUSTRALIAN MINDS ABOUT WHO AND WHAT THEY ARE. CLASS CONSCIOUSNESS -- A LEGACY FROM ENGLAND AND FROM THE

CONVICT TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM IS DEEPLY ROOTED IN WHAT APPEARS TO BE AN EGALITARIAN SOCIETY. THIS FEELING IS HEIGHTENED BY THE FACT THAT THE IRISH WHO ARRIVED HERE EITHER AS CONVICTS OR IMPOVERISHED FREE SETTLERS IN THE NINETEENTH CENTURY BROUGHT WITH THEM THEIR TRADITIONAL CONTEMPT FOR BRITISH AUTHORITY WHICH TRANSLATED INTO AUSTRALIAN TERMS MEANT ALL AUTHORITY. THIS ESSENTIALLY IRISH ATTITUDE PERMEATED AUSTRALIA'S STRONG TRADE UNION MOVEMENT AND AUSTRALIAN POLITICAL LIFE EARLY ON.

OVER THE YEARS THE PRIZED AUSTRALIAN CONCEPT OF MATESHIP, THE BUSHMAN'S IDEAL OF STICKING TOGETHER IN TIMES OF ADVERSITY, HAS CHANGED SUBTLY INTO THE CONCEPT OF SIMPLY BEING ONE OF THE BOYS. THE AUSTRALIAN DELIGHTS IN "CUTTING DOWN THE TALL POPPY" OR PUTTING SOMEONE IN WHAT SOCIETY AS A WHOLE PERCEIVES TO BE HIS PLACE. ONE OF THE WORLD'S GREATEST SOPRANOS IS DESCRIBED IN A NEWSPAPER  
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AS "FAT, STUCK UP, AND TOO GOOD TO SING FOR US. A NOBEL PRIZE LAUREATE IN LITERATURE IS DESCRIBED AS "AN UNREADABLE BLOODY POOFTAH (HOMOSEXUAL)," AND SO IT GOES.

AUSTRALIAN VIEWS OF THE WORLD AND AUSTRALIAN POLITICAL LIFE REFLECT THIS GEOGRAPHICAL AND HISTORICAL HERITAGE. DOMESTIC POLITICS ARE CHARACTERIZED BY BOMBASTIC POLITICAL RHETORIC WHICH AT FIRST BLUSH MAKES IT SEEM THAT THE AUSTRALIAN ELECTORATE IS FACED WITH A CHOICE BETWEEN A TROTSKY AND A MCKINLEY. IN FACT, IN PRACTICAL RESULTS THERE IS LITTLE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE LIBERAL AND COUNTRY PARTIES AND THE AUSTRALIAN LABOR PARTY EXCEPT FOR THE FACT THAT THE LABOR PARTY FAVORS SOMEWHAT MORE RESTRICTIVE POLICIES ON FOREIGN INVESTMENT IN AUSTRALIA. ALL ARE MILDLY REFORMIST, AND ALL ACCEPT A LARGE WELFARE STATE. TO PUT IT IN AMERICAN TERMS, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF A SMALL NUMBER OF EXTREME SOCIALISTS IN THE LABOR PARTY, MOST AUSTRALIAN POLITICIANS WOULD FIT COMFORTABLY INTO EITHER THE REPUBLICAN OR THE DEMOCRATIC PARTIES. THE LIBERAL AND COUNTRY PARTIES ARE SOMEWHAT MORE PROGRESSIVE THAN THE REPUBLICAN PARTY. THE LABOR PARTY IS SOMEWHAT MORE LIBERAL THAN THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY.

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IN SPITE OF MODEST MOVES TO OPEN THE COUNTRY TO  
ASIAN IMMIGRATION, AUSTRALIA IS AND WILL REMAIN A WHITE  
SOCIETY. MOST GROUPS IN THE COUNTRY SUPPORT A STRUCTURE  
OF TARIFFS AND TARIFF QUOTAS DESIGNED TO PROTECT AUSTRALIA'S  
MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES. THE POPULATION HAS AN INSULAR  
OUTLOOK, AND IS MORE CONCERNED WITH PROTECTING ITS OWN  
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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL STRUCTURE THAN IN BUILDING A NEW PLACE  
FOR ITSELF ON THE INTERNATIONAL SCENE. THE WHITLAM LABOR  
GOVERNMENT MADE SOME INITIATIVES TO MOVE AUSTRALIA CLOSER  
TO THE DEVELOPING WORLD; THESE INITIATIVES DID NOT ATTRACT  
MUCH PUBLIC SUPPORT EXCEPT IN INTELLECTUAL AND ACADEMIC  
CIRCLES. THE WHITLAM GOVERNMENT'S DECISION TO SLASH  
TARIFFS BY 25 PERCENT WAS, WHEN THE PRESENT RECESSION BEGAN,  
MODIFIED BY A SERIES OF ECONOMIC MOVES BY BOTH THE WHITLAM

AND FRASER GOVERNMENTS TO PROTECT AUSTRALIAN INDUSTRIES.

ALL AUSTRALIAN POLITICAL PARTIES ARE CONCERNED WITH THE FACT THAT AUSTRALIA IS A LONG WAY FROM THE WESTERN WORLD. AS A RESULT, IN DEFENSE AND FOREIGN POLICY AUSTRALIA TRADITIONALLY TIES ITSELF CLOSELY TO A MAJOR POWER, THE UNITED KINGDOM PRIOR TO WORLD WAR II AND THE UNITED STATES SINCE THEN. SOME INTELLECTUALS WOULD LIKE TO SEE AUSTRALIA ADOPT A MORE INDEPENDENT STANCE, BUT THE VAST MAJORITY OF AUSTRALIANS ARE STRONGLY COMMITTED TO THE ANZUS ALLIANCE. SIMPLY PUT, MOST AUSTRALIANS RECOGNIZE THAT THEY CANNOT DEFEND THEMSELVES AND THEY DO NOT HAVE THE DESIRE TO SPEND MORE MONEY ON DEFENSE. FOR THE FORESEEABLE FUTURE, NO POLITICAL PARTY WHICH ENDORSED ENDING THE ANZUS ALLIANCE COULD BE ELECTED IN AUSTRALIA; NO GOVERNMENT WHICH ADVOCATED SUCH A COURSE OF ACTION COULD LONG REMAIN IN POWER. SOMETIME IN THE DISTANT FUTURE AUSTRALIAN SOCIETY MAY BECOME ONE IN WHICH A SENSE OF CONTINENTAL DESTINY AND SELF-CONFIDENCE EVOLVES, BUT FOR SOME TIME TO COME IT WILL REMAIN A SOCIETY WITH A DEFENSIVE, INSULAR MENTALITY.

THE FRASER COALITION GOVERNMENT WAS ELECTED BY A RECORD VOTE IN DECEMBER 1975 WHEN AUSTRALIA WAS EXPERIENCING A SEVERE ECONOMIC RECESSION AND WHEN UNEMPLOYMENT AND INFLATION WERE AT A VERY HIGH LEVEL. AT THE TIME A LARGE NUMBER OF THE AUSTRALIAN ELECTORATE WERE FED UP WITH WHAT THEY PERCEIVED TO BE THE ECONOMIC INCOMPETENCE OF THE  
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WHITLAM LABOR GOVERNMENT, AND SUPPORTED THE LIBERAL COUNTRY PARTIES BECAUSE THEY PROMISED TO TURN THE AUSTRALIAN ECONOMY AROUND.

AFTER OVER A YEAR OF COALITION GOVERNMENT THE AUSTRALIAN ECONOMY STILL IS IN A DEEP RECESSION AND INFLATION AND UNEMPLOYMENT ARE STILL VERY HIGH IN FACT, THERE HAS BEEN LITTLE PERCEPTIBLE ECONOMIC IMPROVEMENT IN THE PAST YEAR, AND THE FRASER GOVERNMENT'S ECONOMIC MANAGEMENT HAS NOT BEEN DEMONSTRABLY BETTER THAN THAT OF THE WHITLAM LABOR GOVERNMENT. THE OVERALL IMPRESSION IS THAT THE FRASER GOVERNMENT LIKE THE WHITLAM GOVERNMENT HAS NO GUARANTEED SOLUTIONS FOR THE COUNTRY'S ECONOMIC PROBLEMS.

THE CRUCIAL ISSUE IN AUSTRALIA IN THE MONTHS AHEAD WILL BE WHETHER OR NOT THE ECONOMY IMPROVES ECONOMIC CONSIDERATIONS WILL COLOR THE FRASER GOVERNMENT'S APPROACH TO MOST INTERNATIONAL AND DOMESTIC ISSUES DURING THE NEXT TWO YEARS.

IN THIS CONNECTION, THE FRASER GOVERNMENT APPEARS TO BE ADOPTING AN INCREASINGLY PROTECTIONIST LINE ON IMPORTS AND TARIFF RESTRICTIONS. THIS TREND MAY HAVE A MARGINAL ADVERSE IMPACT ON BILATERAL U.S.-AUSTRALIAN TRADE AND MORE IMPORTANTLY COULD WELL AFFECT AUSTRALIAN POSITIONS ON POLICIES DESIGNED TO IMPROVE NORTH SOUTH ECONOMIC RELATIONS BOTH AT A BILATERAL LEVEL AND IN MULTILATERAL FORUMS. ON THE OTHER HAND, THE FRASER GOVERNMENT'S DESIRE FOR ECONOMIC GROWTH HAS HEIGHTENED ITS RECEPTIVENESS TO FOREIGN INVESTMENT.

AUSTRALIAN ATTITUDES ON OTHER FOREIGN POLICY AND DEFENSE ISSUES WILL CLOSELY PARALLEL THOSE OF THE UNITED STATES. THE FRASER GOVERNMENT STRONGLY SUPPORTS THE ANZUS ALLIANCE AND WELCOMES THE CONTINUED PRESENCE  
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OF U.S. DEFENSE RELATED FACILITIES IN AUSTRALIA. NUCLEAR WARSHIP VISITS TO AUSTRALIAN PORTS WERE RESUMED IN THE LAST YEAR, AND THE GOA HAS APPROVED CONSTRUCTION OF AN OMEGA STATION AND A SOLAR OPTICAL ELECTRONIC OBSERVATORY.

THE GOA ALSO SHARES OUR INTEREST IN ENCOURAGING THE DEVELOPMENT OF ASEAN, AND STRONGLY APPROVES PRESIDENT CARTER'S EFFORTS TO IMPROVE RELATIONS WITH VIETNAM. THE GOA ALSO STRONGLY SUPPORTS U.S. EFFORTS TO PROMOTE A COMPREHENSIVE TEST BAN TREATY AND TO MOVE AHEAD IN THE SALT II NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE SOVIET UNION.

FRASER IS PERSONALLY A DEEPLY CONSERVATIVE MAN WHOSE VIEWS ON INTERNATIONAL ISSUES ARE COLORED BY A STRONG ANTI-PATHY TO THE SOVIET UNION. HIS VIEWS ON DETENTE, ON AFRICAN QUESTIONS, AND ON LIBERATION MOVEMENTS IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES ARE APT TO BE MORE CONSERVATIVE THAN THOSE OF WASHINGTON POLICY MAKERS.

AUSTRALIAN RELATIONS WITH INDONESIA, WHICH ARE OF CRUCIAL IMPORTANCE IN CANBERRA, HAVE BEEN STRAINED BY CONTINUING PUBLIC DEBATE IN AUSTRALIA OVER INDONESIAN ACTIVITIES IN EAST TIMOR. THE AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT WILL BE CAREFULLY WATCHING WHAT POSITION THE CARTER ADMINISTRATION ADOPTS TOWARDS INDONESIA AS A RESULT OF INDONESIAN ACTIVITIES IN EAST TIMOR.

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UNDERLYING ALL AUSTRALIAN INTERNATIONAL CONCERNS  
IS AN UNEASY FEELING THAT THE UNITED STATES, ITS CLOSEST  
ALLY AND PARTNER, MAY BE RETREATING INTO ISOLATIONISH.  
THEY CITE THE U.S. DECISION TO WITHDRAW GROUND FORCES FROM  
SOUTH KOREA AS AN EXAMPLE. AUSTRALIAN DECISION MAKERS  
ARE ALSO CONCERNED BY WHAT THEY PERCEIVE TO BE AN ABSENCE  
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OF AN AFFIRMATIVE AMERICAN POLICY TOWARDS SOUTHEAST  
ASIA AND THE SOUTH PACIFIC. THIS CONERN IS FED IN PART  
BY A SERIES OF CONVERSATIONS TOP AUSTRALIAN POLITICIANS  
OF ALL PARTIES HAVE HAD RECENTLY WITH LEE KUAN YU, SINGA-

PORE'S PRIME MINISTER. LEE IS MORE SOPHISTICATED AND  
WORLDLY WISE THAN MANY TOP AUSTRALIAN DECISION MAKERS  
AND HIS VIEWS ARE TAKEN VERY SERIOUSLY IN CANBERRA. THE  
AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT WOULD WELCOME ANY POSITIVE ASSURANCES  
WE CAN GIVE THEM ABOUT OUR DETERMINATION TO CONTINUE TO  
TAKE AN ACTIVE ROLE IN SOUTHEAST ASIA. A DECISION ON OUR  
PART TO INITIATE A MAJOR POLICY CHANGE SUCH AS WITHDRAWING  
FROM OUR BASES IN THE PHILIPPINES WOULD CAUSE GRAVE  
CANCERN IN CANBERRA.

CLOSER TO HOME AUSTRALIA CONTINUES TO BE PAPUA NEW  
GUINEA'S MAJOR AID DONOR, AND IS INCREASING ITS ASSISTANCE  
TO SMALL SOUTH PACIFIC ISLAND STATES. THE GOVERNMENT OF  
AUSTRALIA REALIZES THAT NEW ZEALAND AND AUSTRALIA MUST  
TAKE THE LEAD IN THE SOUTH PACIFIC, BUT HOPES THAT THE  
UNITED STATES CAN PROVIDE MODEST ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE  
AS WELL.

#### C. OBJECTIVES, COURSE OF ACTION AND ISSUES

A) GENERAL - ENGAGE AUSTRALIA'S ACTIVE PARTICIPA-  
TION IN INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS TO PROMOTE THE  
WORLD-WIDE INTERESTS OF OUR TWO COUNTRIES.

##### B) SECURITY -

1) MAINTAIN THE CREDIBILITY OF OUR ANZUS COMMIT-  
MENT TO AUSTRALIA AND AUSTRALIAN SUPPORT OF  
ESSENTIAL U.S. MILITARY ACTIVITY IN AUSTRALIA  
AND SURROUNDING AREAS.

2) MINIMIZE POTENTIAL AUSTRALIAN DOMESTIC  
POLITICAL PROBLEMS POSED BY OUR KEY INSTALLA-  
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TIONS IN AUSTRALIA BY AVOIDING HIGH-LEVEL AND  
RELATIVELY CONSPICUOUS VISITS TO THEM BY SENIOR  
U.S. MILITARY AND CIVILIAN FIGURES AND BY ENSURING  
THAT PUBLIC REFERENCES TO THEM IN THE U.S. ARE  
HELD TO AN ABSOLUTE MINIMUM.

3) CONTINUE EXISTING PROGRAMS FOR INTELLIGENCE  
EXCHANGE AND SEEK TO PROMOTE A LARGER REVERSE  
FLOW OF AUSTRALIAN POLITICAL AND MILITARY INTEL-  
LIGENCE TO THE U.S.

4) CONTINUE TO CONDUCT PERIODIC, COMBINED MILITARY  
EXERCISES, AS THE OPPORTUNITY PERMITS.

##### C) POLITICAL -

1) CONSULT IN ADVANCE ON PLANNED MOVES ON



MAJOR ISSUES OF MUTUAL CONCERN.

2) ENCOURAGE THE GOA TO SUPPORT FULLY ECONOMIC, POLITICAL AND SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS IN SOUTHEAST ASIA, PARTICULARLY WITH RESPECT TO THE ASEAN COUNTRIES.

3) CONTINUE TO ENCOURAGE THE GOA TO PROVIDE SIGNIFICANT ECONOMIC AND MILITARY ASSISTANCE TO FRIENDLY, NON-COMMUNIST GOVERNMENTS IN INDONESIA, IN PAPUA NEW GUINEA, AND IN THE WESTERN PACIFIC.

D. ECONOMIC/COMMERCIAL -

TRADE

1. THE BILATERALLY ENCOURAGE AUSTRALIA TO REDUCE OR REMOVE ITS TEMPORARY IMPORT RESTRICTIONS AND RESUME THE MORE CONSTRUCTIVE IMPORT POLICIES FOLLOWED IN 1973 AND 1974 AND BE READY TO RESIST  
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NEW MANIFESTATIONS OF "PROTECTIONISM".

2. SEEK THROUGH THE MTN TO LOWER AUSTRALIAN TARIFF AND NONTARIFF BARRIERS RECIPROCALLY WITH THE U.S., TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE RELATIVELY HIGH AUSTRALIAN GENERAL TARIFF LEVEL.

3. COLLABORATE WITH THE GOA IN EFFORTS TOWARD A LIBERALIZATION OF E/C AGRICULTURAL RESTRICTIONS.

INVESTMENT

1. CONTINUE DISCREETLY TO POINT OUT THE ADVANTAGES OF FOREIGN INVESTMENT TO THE AUSTRALIAN ECONOMY.

2. BE ALERT TO ANY AUSTRALIAN BUREAUCRATIC MEASURES WHICH CLEARLY DISCRIMINATE AGAINST U.S. FIRMS.

3. IN TAX NEGOTIATIONS, SEEK REMOVAL OR RELIEF FROM DISCRIMINATORY WITHHOLDING TAX PROVISIONS.

4. ENCOURAGE LOCAL AMERICAN BUSINESSMEN, INDIVIDUALLY AND COLLECTIVELY, TO SUPPORT RESPONSIBLE EXPRESSIONS OF BUSINESS VIEWS ON PUBLIC POLICY ISSUES BY ESTABLISHED AUSTRALIAN MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATIONS, TRADE ASSOCIATIONS AND PROFESSIONAL GROUPS, AS WELL AS BY SPOKESMEN FOR GROUPS OF INVESTORS FORM

THIRD COUNTRIES. THE OBJECT OF THIS EFFORT SHOULD BE TO AVOID PROLONGING THE ERRONEOUS IMPRESSION IN THE GOA AND PUBLIC CIRCLES THAT U.S INVESTORS ARE THE PRINCIPAL INTERETS AFFECTED BY GOA POLICIES ON BUSINESS AND FOREIGN INVESTMENT.

WORLD ECONOMY

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1. ENCOURAGE THE GOA TO CONTINUE TO PARTICIPATE WITH THE UNITED STATES AND OTHER MEMBERS OF THE OECD IN SUPPORTING OUTWARD-LOOKING, MARKET-ORIENTED COMPETITIVE NON-DISCRIMINATORY APPROACHES TO WORLD ECONOMIC PROBLEMS IN THE VARIOUS UNITED NATIONS AND OTHER MULTI-GOVERNMENT ARENAS IN WHICH THE PROBLEMS OF WORLD TRADE, FINANCE, RESOURCES AND COMMERCIAL RELATIONS ARE DEBATED.

2. ENCOURAGE AUSTRALIA TO CONTINUE ITS ROLE AS A MODERATING INFLUENCE IN INTERNATIONAL COMMODITY ORGANIZATIONS AND TO SUPPORT THE NEED FOR PROPER ATTENTION TO THE INTERESTS OF CONSUMING COUNTRIES.

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3. ENCOURAGE AUSTRALIAN INTEREST IN JOINING THE INTER-  
NATIONAL ENERGY AGENCY (IEA).

TRANSPORT

1. CONTINUE TO PRESS FOR FAIR AND EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES

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FOR U.S. AIR CARRIERS TO EARN BENEFITS COMMENSURATE  
WITH THOSE EARNED BY QANTAS IN AIR SERVICES TO THE  
UNITED STATES.

2. ENCOURAGE AUSTRALIA TO SUPPORT LIBERAL POLICIES  
TOWARD FOREIGN SHIPPING AND TO AVOID THE ADOPTION OF  
RESTRICTIVE FLAG OR OTHER PREFERENCE ARRANGEMENTS.

TRADE PROMOTION

1. CONTINUE THE ORGANIZATION AND CONDUCT OF U.S. TRADE  
PROMOTION IN AUSTRALIA, ENSURING THAT ITS DESIGN IS  
CONTINUOUSLY ADAPTED TO THE OVERALL AUSTRALIAN  
ECONOMIC SITUATION.

SCIENCE AND NARCOTICS

1. ENCOURAGE AND SUPPORT ACTIVELY THE NASA PROGRAM IN  
AUSTRALIA.

2. ENCOURAGE MAXIMUM AUSTRALIAN PARTICIPATION IN THE  
DEVELOPMENT BY IAEA OF IMPROVED NUCLEAR ENERGY SAFE-  
GUARDS AGREEMENTS.

3. COOPERATE FULLY WITH THE GOA TO SUPPRESS ILLEGAL  
INTERNATIONAL DRUG TRAFFIC; ENCOURAGE CONTINUED  
AUSTRALIAN REGIONAL LEADERSHIP IN THIS FIELD, AS

WELL AS AUSTRALIAN SUPPORT FOR EFFECTIVE GLOBAL  
EFFORTS IN THE U.N.

CONSULAR ACTIVITIES

CONTINUE TO PERFORM THE DEPARTMENT'S STATUTORY  
CONSULAR RESPONSIBILITIES IN AUSTRALIA, WHICH HAVE  
INCREASED DRASTICALLY, IN AN EFFICIENT AND ORDERLY  
MANNER.

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